

Title (en)

A method and system of information retrieval.

Title (de)

Ein Verfahren und System zur Informationswiederauffindung.

Title (fr)

Un procédé et système pour le recouvrement d'informations.

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Abstract (en)

A computerized method for organizing information retrieval based on the content of a set of primary documents. The method generates answer hypotheses based on text found in the primary documents and, typically, a natural-language input string such as a question. The answer hypotheses can include phrases or words not present in the input string. Answer hypotheses are verified and ranked based on their verification evidence. A text corpus (12) can be queried to provide verification evidence not present in the primary documents. In another aspect the method is implemented in the context of a larger two-phase method, of which the first phase comprises the method of the invention and the second phase of the method comprises answer extraction. <IMAGE>

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